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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of:

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to an Office Action herein, mailed 15 April 2003, time for response to which was set to expire 15 July 2003. A petition for an extension of time of three (3) months until 15 October 2003 is attached hereto, along with the required fee. The pending claims, claims 40-47, were rejected. Careful consideration has been given to the grounds for rejection, and the following amendment and discussion are offered in response. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.